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After section **3404**, insert the following new section:

1 **SEC. 3405. DETERMINATION OF HOSPITAL STAY.**

2 Title **XIX** is amended-

3 (1) by redesignating section 1932 as section
4 1933, and

5 (2) by inserting after section 1931 the following
6 new section:

7 "DETERMINATION OF HOSPITAL STAY

8 "SEC. **1932. (a)** IS GENERAL.— A Medicaid health
9 plan shall ensure that the length of an inpa-
10 tient hospital stay under this part shall be de-
11 termined by the attending physician and the pa-
12 tient to be medically appropriate.

13 "(b) CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this
14 paragraph shall be construed-

15 "(i) as requiring the provision of inpa-
16 tient coverage if the attending physician
17 and patient determine that a shorter pe-
18 riod of hospital stay is medically appro-
19 priate, or

20 "(ii) as affecting the application of
21 deductibles and coinsurance.

22 "(c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
23 subsection (a) shall apply to discharges occurring on or
24 after 6 months after the date of the enactment of this
25 Act.